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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

10:00 — General Assembly Hall

Briefing to delegations on the new provisions pertaining to the conduct of elections in the General Assembly and changes to the method of filling out ballot papers

[A note verbale from the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management, dated 5 October 2017, was sent to all permanent missions.]

Immediately following the briefing — 31st plenary meeting [webcast] — General Assembly Hall

Election of fifteen members of the Human Rights Council [item 114 (d)]

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 13 October 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Main Committees

First Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 14th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Thematic discussion on specific subjects and introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under agenda items (items 52 (b) and 90 to 106)

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(a) Nuclear weapons cluster *(continued)*

(b) Other weapons of mass destruction

(c) Briefing by the President of the Eighth Review Conference of the States Parties to the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on Their Destruction

15:00 to 18:00 — 15th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 4

Thematic discussion on specific subjects and introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under agenda items (items 52 (b) and 90 to 106)

Other weapons of mass destruction *(continued)*

[Documents of the Committee: *item 52 (b)*; *item 90* (A/72/293 and A/72/328); *item 91* (A/72/29); *item 92*; *item 93* (A/72/27); *item 94* (A/72/327 and A/72/315); *item 95* (A/72/340 (Part I) and A/C.1/72/L.1); *item 96*; *item 97* (A/72/27); *item 98*; *item 99* (A/72/311, A/72/321, A/72/308, A/72/318, A/72/309, A/72/321, A/72/179, A/72/122, A/72/302, A/72/344, A/72/305, A/72/65, A/72/65/Add.1, A/72/206, A/72/339, A/72/304, A/C.1/72/2 and A/C.1/72/L.2); *item 100* (A/72/27, A/72/97, A/72/99, A/72/98, A/72/98/Corr.1 and A/72/363); *item 101* (A/72/154, A/72/185, A/72/27 and A/72/42); *item 102* (A/72/340 (Part II)) (to be issued) and A/C.1/72/L.4); *item 103* (A/C.1/72/L.16); *item 104* (A/72/320); *item 105* (A/72/180); and *item 106*]

[Other documents: Organization of work (A/C.1/72/CRP.1, A/C.1/72/CRP.2, A/C.1/72/CRP.4, A/C.1/72/1, A/C.1/72/INF/1 and A/C.1/72/INF/4)]

[The list of speakers for the thematic discussions *is open* and will close on *Monday, 16 October 2017*, at 18:00.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the *list of speakers* will be requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal available by *clicking here*. An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of request for inscription.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact the DGACM Help-desk (e-mail help-desk@un.org). If delegations have difficulties inscribing through the portal, kindly contact the First Committee secretariat (e-mail 1stcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277, Room S-3058; with copy to cianciulli@un.org).

The time limit for the thematic discussions *is five minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *seven minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of *this time limit*.

Delegations are reminded that this year co-sponsoring of the Committee's draft proposals will be possible only through the e-Sponsorship platform, which is available on the e-deleGATE web-portal. Accordingly, the practice of manually collecting written signatures of main sponsors and co-sponsors by the First Committee Secretariat *will be discontinued* for the session. Therefore, it is very important that every delegation be registered in a timely manner in order to obtain access to this password protected online application.

The *composition of delegations*, names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal. Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact the First Committee secretariat (e-mail 1stcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378, Room S-3057; with copy to komatina@un.org).

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers by *clicking here*, and will be available on the First Committee Place shortly.

With respect to the process for consideration of possible programme budget implications (PBIs) of draft resolutions and decisions, delegations are reminded that they should allow sufficient time for the

preparation of the estimate of expenditures by the Secretariat. Further details on the regulatory framework, process and practice for PBIs are available by *clicking here*.

Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventy-second session of the First Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement to papersmart1 *@* un org at *least one hour in advance of delivery*. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the First Committee PaperSmart portal only when read out by the delegation.

Any additional queries should be directed to Ms. Sonia Elliott, Secretary of the First Committee (e-mail elliotts *@* un org).

Contact details of the First Committee secretariat are accessible by *clicking here*.]

Second Committee

10:00 to 13:00 — 16th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 2

Agriculture development, food security and nutrition (A/72/303 and A/72/63–E/2017/11) [item 25]

Introductory statement, followed by "question time"

General discussion (please click here, for the rolling list)

15:00 to 16:00 — 17th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 2

Agriculture development, food security and nutrition (A/72/303 and A/72/63–E/2017/11) [item 25]

Continuation and conclusion of the general discussion (see rolling list above)

[Additional information including documentation is available on the website of the Committee (please *click here*).

Inscription to the *list of speakers for* the *general discussion of individual agenda items* of the Second Committee *is open*. As decided by the Committee at its organizational meeting held on 25 September 2017, the *time limits of five minutes* for individual Member States and *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the *general discussion of individual agenda items* will be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Delegations are reminded that requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States should be submitted by their respective focal points through the e-Speakers module on the e-deleGATE portal (please *click here*). An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription. For information regarding access to the e-deleGATE portal, please contact the DGACM Helpdesk (e-mail help-desk *@* un org).

Intergovernmental organizations and entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, as well as the United Nations system, funds and programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe on the lists of speakers for the general discussion of individual agenda items of the Committee should submit their requests, in writing, to the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Cassandra Price Tavares (e-mail price4 *@* un org, 12th floor of the Secretariat Building)).

PaperSmart services will be available to the Second Committee at the seventy-second session of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through PaperSmart should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2 *@* un org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Statements will be made available on the Second Committee PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only after delivery by delegations.

For inclusion in the *list of participants* for the session, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through Second Committee the e-List of Participants module on the e-deleGATE portal, which is now available. The deadline for the submission of the information through the e-List of Participants module is Friday, 20 October 2017. Additional information is available in document A/INF/72/2.

Intergovernmental organizations and entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, as well as the United Nations system, funds and programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions that wish to be included in the list of participants should submit their lists, in writing, to the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Claire Pan (e-mail dgacmeab intern1 *a* un org, 12th floor of the Secretariat Building)).

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on Second Committee matters should be sent as soon as possible but *no later than 17:00* of the day before the meeting, to Ms. Patricia Anholt Habr (e-mail habrp *a* un org).]

Third Committee

15:00 to 18:00 — 20th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of human rights (A/72/40, A/C.3/72/9 (to be issued)) [item 72]

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms (A/72/127, A/72/128, A/72/131, A/72/132, A/72/133, A/72/135, A/72/137, A/72/139, A/72/140, A/72/153, A/72/155, A/72/162, A/72/163, A/72/164, A/72/165, A/72/170, A/72/171, A/72/172, A/72/173, A/72/187, A/72/188, A/72/201, A/72/202, A/72/219, A/72/230, A/72/256, A/72/260, A/72/277, A/72/280, A/72/284, A/72/289, A/72/290, A/72/316, A/72/335, A/72/350, A/72/351, A/72/365, A/72/370, A/72/381, A/72/495, A/72/496, A/72/502 (to be issued), A/72/518 and A/72/523)

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives (A/72/279, A/72/281, A/72/322, A/72/382, A/72/394, A/72/493, A/72/498, A/C.3/72/2-S/2017/798, A/C.3/72/3–S/2017/799, A/C.3/72/4–S/2017/800, A/C.3/72/5-S-2017/816, A/C.3/72/6-S-2017/817, A/C.3/72/7–S/2017/818, A/C.3/72/8-S-2017/819, A/C.3/72/10–S/2017/852 (to be issued) and A/C.3/72/11 (to be issued))

Introductory statement by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, followed by question time

[The *list of speakers* for the general discussion on agenda items allocated to the Committee *is open*. In accordance with established practice of the Committee, the time limits of *five minutes* for individual Member States and *twelve minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general discussion of individual agenda items will be observed.

Requests for *inscription* from permanent missions and observer States for the general discussion on agenda items allocated to the Third Committee should be sent through the e-Speakers module of the e-deleGATE portal (*click here*). An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of request for inscription. Intergovernmental organizations, entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, the United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe with the *list of speakers* are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail slthirdcommittee *a* un org).

Requests for *room reservations* for informal consultations on draft proposals should be sent to Ms. Patricia Habr (e-mail habrp *a* un org). For inclusion in the list of participants for the session, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the

e-List of Participants module on the e-deleGATE portal, which will become available in October 2017. More information on the new module will follow. Delegations are reminded that dissemination of their statements via *PaperSmart* will be available. Delegations wishing to circulate statements electronically should e-mail the statement(s) *at least one hour in advance* of expected delivery to papersmart3*@*un.org.

The agenda item under which the statement is to be delivered, as well as the date of the meeting, should be clearly indicated on the first page of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Statements will be made available on the Third Committee PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only after delivery by delegations.]

Fifth Committee

10:00 to 13:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

15:00 to 18:00 Informal consultations (closed) Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 136 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019) (A/72/6 (Introduction), A/72/6 (Introduction)/Corr.1*, A/72/6 (Sect. 1), A/72/6 (Sect. 2), A/72/6 (Sect. 3)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 4)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 4)/Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 5)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 5)/Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 6)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 7), A/72/6 (Sect. 7)/Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 8)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 8)/Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 9), A/72/6 (Sect. 10)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 11)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 12), A/72/6 (Sect. 12)/Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 14), A/72/6 (Sect. 15)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 16)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 17)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 18)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 19), A/72/6 (Sect. 20)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 21), A/72/6 (Sect. 22), A/72/6 (Sect. 23), A/72/6 (Sect. 24), A/72/6 (Sect. 24)/Corr.1 A/72/6 (Sect. 25), A/72/6 (Sect. 26), A/72/6 (Sect. 26)/Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 27), A/72/6 (Sect. 28)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 29), A/72/6 (Sect. 29A), A/72/6 (Sect. 29B), A/72/6 (Sect. 29C), A/72/6 (Sect. 29C)/Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 29C)/Corr.2, A/72/6 (Sect. 29D)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 29E), A/72/6 (Sect. 29F)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 29G), A/72/6 (Sect. 29H)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 30), A/72/6 (Sect. 31), A/72/6 (Sect. 32)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 33), A/72/6 (Sect. 33)/Corr.1, A/72/6 (Sect. 34)*, A/72/6 (Sect. 35), A/72/6 (Sect. 36), A/72/6 (Income sect. 1), A/72/6 (Income Sect. 2) and A/72/6 (Income Sect. 3))

[The *list of speakers* for the general discussion on all agenda items before the Fifth Committee *is open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to send an e-mail to fifthcommittee*@*un.org. In addition to providing 25 copies of their statement to the Conference Room Officer, delegations are kindly requested to provide an electronic copy to the secretariat of the Committee (e-mail fifthcommittee*@*un.org), prior to the start of the meeting.

The *composition of delegations*, names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal at https://delegate.un.int. Further details can be found in document A/INF/72/2.

Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee is available at http://www.un.org/en/ga/fifth.]

Sixth Committee

10:00 to 13:00 16th meeting [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

United Nations Programme of Assistance in the Teaching, Study, Dissemination and Wider Appreciation of International Law [item 80] (A/72/517)

Working Group

15:00 Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Measures to eliminate international terrorism

[Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services will be offered as an additional service for the seventy-second session of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statement electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement(s) at least *one hour* in advance of the delivery to papersmart6@un.org.

The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the Sixth Committee PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only when read out by the delegation. Delegations are nonetheless requested also to provide *30 hard copies* of their statements to the conference officers at each meeting of the Committee. The *lists of speakers* for the debate on all agenda items allocated to the Sixth Committee *are open* for inscription. Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States should be submitted through the e-Speakers module on the e-deleGATE portal (please *click here*).

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription. Delegations may also contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (6thcommittee@un.org (tel: 1 (212) 963-5331; fax 1 (212) 963-1963)) in order to inscribe on the respective lists of speakers.

Intergovernmental organizations and entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, as well as the United Nations system, funds and programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe on the *lists of speakers* for the debate on agenda items allocated to the Sixth Committee should submit their requests directly to the secretariat of the Sixth Committee.

Delegations that have not yet submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are invited to inform the Secretariat of the Sixth Committee. Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales in form A/BUR/71/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Alternatively, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers may be registered electronically through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE portal, which is expected to become available during the course of October 2017. For information regarding access to the e-deleGATE portal, please contact the DGACM Helpdesk (e-mail help-desk@un.org).

Representatives of Member States and of observers, involved in the work of the Sixth Committee at the seventy-second session, are invited to register for the Sixth Committee email list through the online form available on the website of the Sixth Committee. The email list will be used for communicating information concerning the work of the Committee and related events.

Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee.

Further background information on the Sixth Committee, including information concerning the seventy-second session, is available on the Committee's website.

The meetings of the Sixth Committee will be webcast live on UN Web TV. Archive videos will also be available on the UN Web TV dedicated Committee page.]

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council United Nations Assistance Mission for Iraq

2. Executive meeting

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Forty-fifth session

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from *Monday, 16 October* to Friday, 1 December 2017, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/72/251 and A/72/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

First Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects" (under agenda item 103) (convened by the delegation of Pakistan)

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 9

Second Committee

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/72/L.6, entitled "Science, Technology and innovation for development" (under agenda item 21 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 1

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/72/L.2, entitled "Strengthening the link between all modes of transport to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals" (under agenda item 19) (convened by the delegation of Turkmenistan)

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room E

Third Committee

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Promoting social integration through social inclusion" (under agenda item 27 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Peru)

09:00 to 10:30 Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Effective promotion of the Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Austria)

11:00 to 13:00 Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "United Nations Human Rights Training and Documentation Centre for South-West Asia and the Arab Region" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Qatar)

11:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Violence against women migrant workers" (under agenda item 72 (a)) (convened by the delegation of the Philippines)

13:00 to 15:00 Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "National institutions for the promotion and protection of human rights (NHRIs)" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Germany)

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room E

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Improvement of the situations of the women and girls in rural areas" (under agenda item 28 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Mongolia)

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Policies and programmes involving Youth" (under agenda item 27) (convened by the delegation of Portugal)

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 8

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "The girl child" (under agenda item 68) (convened by the delegation of South Africa)

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 9

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution entitled "The Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly" (under agenda item 27 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Brazil)

16:00 to 18:00 Conference Room B

Sixth Committee

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The rule of law at the national and international levels" (under agenda item 84) (convened by the delegations of Liechtenstein and Mexico)

13:15 to 14:30 Trusteeship Council Chamber

Informal informals consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Measures to eliminate international terrorism" (under agenda item 109) (convened by the delegation of Kazakhstan)

Afternoon (following the the Sixth Committee Working Group meeting) Trusteeship Council Chamber

Other meetings

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Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

09:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room D

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room D

Group of 77 (on Oceans and the Law of the Sea)

11:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 9

High-level inaugural event on "Supporting an Integrated, Prosperous, People-Centred and Peaceful Africa: Towards the Implementation of Agenda 2063 and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" (A/RES/71/254) (co-organized by the African Union Permanent Observer Mission, the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), the Department of Public Information (DPI), the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) Planning and Coordinating Agency and the African Peer Review Mechanism)

10:00 to 13:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Juliet Wasswa-Mugambwa (e-mail wasswa-mugambwa@un.org), or Mr. Jean-Victor Nkolo (e-mail nkolo@un.org)); or *click here*.

Briefing entitled "United Nations Peacekeeping Defence Ministerial – Vancouver 2017 Technical Briefing" (A/RES/71/314) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Canada)

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Alex Charlebois, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail alex.charlebois@international.gc.ca; tel. 1 (212) 848-1158).

Event entitled "Change the future of Migration: Invest in food security and rural development" (on the occasion of World Food Day (A/RES/35/70)) (co-organized by the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), the World Food Programme (WFP), and the International Organization for Migration (IOM))

13:15 to 14:30 [webcast] Conference Room 12

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Bryce Hwang, FAO Liaison Office in New York (e-mail seockhwan.hwang@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 967-8242); or *click here*.

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-second session

Wednesday, 18 October 2017

15:00 — 32nd plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

Report of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: note by the Secretary-General (A/72/266) [item 75]

International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals: note by the Secretary-General (A/72/261) [item 129]

Joint debate

Wednesday, 18 October 2017

10:00 — Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations on the zero-draft of the modalities resolution for the intergovernmental conference to adopt a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration

[A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 25 September 2017, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.]

Informal consultations under agenda item 77 (a)

Follow-up to the Preparatory Committee established by General Assembly resolution 69/292: Development of an international legally binding instrument under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the conservation and sustainable use of marine biological diversity of areas beyond national jurisdiction

Wednesday, 18 October 2017

13:15 to 14:30 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 11

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

10:00	6th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning (following the 6th meeting)	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

Friday, 20 October 2017

11:30 285th meeting (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee (Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinhal@un.org; Room S-3632)). The meeting *will not be open* to members of the press or the public.

Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, *at least 48 hours prior to the meeting*, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5).

Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements *in advance of the meeting*.

Security Council

Wednesday, 18 October 2017

10:00 Security Council Chamber

Open debate on "The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question"

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure (e-mail dpa-scsb3@un.org; or fax 1 (917) 367-0406). Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by e-mail.

Delegations are kindly requested to limit their statements to *no more than four minutes*. Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or e-mail, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Special meeting on the "Aftermath of recent hurricanes and earthquakes: Achieving a risk-informed and resilient 2030 Agenda"

Tuesday, 24 October 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

The President of the Council (Czech Republic) will convene the special meeting to highlight the economic, social and ecological dimensions of the recent hurricanes and earthquakes, and to enhance coordination in response, recovery, rehabilitation, reconstruction and development efforts in the aftermath. The meeting will comprise of an interactive panel discussion and there will be no pre-determined list of speakers. A time limit of *three minutes* per intervention will be observed.

All are invited to attend. Delegations are requested to submit, in writing, no later than Friday, 20 October 2017, the names of the representatives attending the special meeting to the Secretary of the Council, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations are advised that only one list of participants will be issued at the conclusion of the 2018 session of the Council.

Additional information and background documentation on the special meeting is available on the website of the Council (please *click here*). For further information, please contact Ms. Sibel Selcuk, Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (e-mail selcuk@un.org).

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by delegations

The agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/72/251 and A/72/252. The meetings under this header are closed.

General Assembly

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The role of the United Nations Regional Centre for Preventive Diplomacy for Central Asia" (under agenda item 65) (convened by the delegation of Turkmenistan)

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 6

Second Committee

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "World Bee Day" (under item 19) (convened by the delegation of Slovenia)

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

13:30 to 15:00 Conference Room B

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/72/L.14, entitled "Disaster risk reduction" (under item 21 (c)) (convened by the delegation of Peru)

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room B

Third Committee

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Improving the coordination of efforts against trafficking in persons" (under agenda item 107) (convened by the delegation of Belarus)

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

09:00 to 11:00 Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Protection of and assistance to internally displaced persons" (under agenda item 64) (convened by the delegation of Norway)

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

11:00 to 13:00 Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Protection of Migrants" (under agenda item 72 (a)) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

11:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening the role of the United Nations in enhancing periodic and genuine elections and the promotion of democratization" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of the United States)

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

13:00 to 15:00 Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Rights of indigenous peoples" (under agenda item 69 (a)) (convened by delegations of Ecuador and the Plurinational State of Bolivia)

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room C

Informal informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.3/72/L.6, entitled "Strengthening the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity" (under agenda item 107) (convened by the delegation of Italy) and on the draft resolution entitled "International cooperation to address and counter the world drug problem" (under agenda item 108) (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 12

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "The girl child" (under agenda item 68) (convened by the delegation of South Africa)

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 6

Meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "The role of the Ombudsman, mediator and other national human rights institutions in the promotion and protection of human rights" (under agenda item 72 (b)) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

17:00 to 18:30 Conference Room C

Forthcoming other meetings

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High-level event on "Financing Africa's Infrastructure and Agricultural Development: Inclusive Growth for Economic Transformation" (A/RES/69/313) (co-organized by the African Union Permanent Observer Mission, the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), the Department of Public Information, the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) Planning and Coordinating Agency and the African Peer Review Mechanism)

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Juliet Wasswa-Mugambwa (e-mail wasswa-mugambwa@un.org), or Mr. Jean-Victor Nkolo (e-mail nkolo@un.org)); or *click here*.

Event entitled "Answering the Call of October 17 to end poverty: A path toward peaceful and inclusive societies" (on the occasion of the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty (A/RES/47/196)) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Burkina Faso and France, in collaboration with the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA) and ATD Fourth World)

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 2

All are invited. For further information, please contact ATD Fourth World (e-mail nyteam@4thworldmovement.org; tel. 1 (212) 228-1339); or *click here*.

Event entitled "Countering the threat of Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs): Strengthening Capacities and Stabilizing Communities" (A/RES/71/72) (organized by the United Nations Mine Action Service (UNMAS))

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Ms. Larisa Khiryanova, UNMAS (e-mail khiryanova@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4953).

Panel discussion on "The Informal Economy in Developing Nations: Hidden Engine of Innovation in Africa" (A/RES/70/213) (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of Ghana and the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO))

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Lucinda Longcroft, WIPO (e-mail lucinda.longcroft@wipo.int; tel. 1 (917) 244-1071).

Panel discussion on "Building public health delivery systems that support Africa's industrialization" (A/RES/71/320) (organized by the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) Planning and Coordinating Agency)

Tuesday, 17 October 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Juliet Wasswa-Mugambwa (e-mail wasswa-mugambwa@un.org), or Mr. Jean-Victor Nkolo (e-mail nkolo@un.org)); or *click here*.

Event entitled "Protecting Endangered Cultural Heritage: 'United4Heritage' and the Italian Experience" (A/RES/70/76) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Italy)

Wednesday, 18 October 2017

10:00 to 11:30 Conference Room 12

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Luigi Marini, Permanent Mission of Italy (e-mail sec.italyun@esteri.it; tel. 1 (646) 840-5388).

High-level event on "Regional and economic integration in Africa: How to effectively involve Africa's youth across national borders" (A/RES/71/254) (co-organized by the African Union Permanent Observer Mission, the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), the Department of Public Information (DPI), the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) Planning and Coordinating Agency and the African Peer Review Mechanism)

Wednesday, 18 October 2017

15:00 to 18:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Juliet Wasswa-Mugambwa (e-mail wasswa-mugambwa@un.org), or Mr. Jean-Victor Nkolo (e-mail nkolo@un.org)); or *click here*.

High-level event on "Addressing the Climate Change-Migration Nexus and its Implications for Peace and Security in Africa" (A/RES/71/320) (co-organized by the African Union Permanent Observer Mission to the United Nations, the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), the Economic Commission for Africa (ECA), the Department of Public Information (DPI), the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD) Planning and Coordinating Agency and the African Peer Review Mechanism)

Thursday, 19 October 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact OSAA (Ms. Juliet Wasswa-Mugambwa (e-mail wasswa-mugambwa@un.org), or Mr. Jean-Victor Nkolo (e-mail nkolo@un.org)); or *click here*.

Non-Aligned Movement (monthly meeting) (at the ambassadorial level)

Thursday, 26 October 2017

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (unless otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *October 2017*:

Introduction to United Nations Documents

Finding Speeches

Voting Information

General Assembly Documentation (English – French)

UN Regular Budget Documentation

Security Council Documentation

Introduction to Library Services

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*).

For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

In addition to the training offered, the Library will be hosting the following event:

Africa Yearbook Online

To register for this session, please sign *click here*.

Press kit for the seventy-second session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free.

Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*).

2018 United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Africa: Deadline for applications Friday, 20 October 2017

The 2018 United Nations Regional Course for Africa will be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from 5 February to 2 March 2018.

This course *is open for candidates from Member States of the United Nations*, which are also members of the regional group of African States. Applications for the 2018 United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Africa are now being accepted.

The *deadline* for applications is *Friday, 20 October 2017*. The 2018 Regional Course for Africa will be conducted in English.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*); or contact the Codification Division (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* provides comprehensive coverage of the Security Council's interpretation and application of the United Nations Charter and its own Provisional Rules of Procedure. It is prepared by the Security Council Affairs Division in the Department of Political Affairs.

The *Repertoire* is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law and international relations, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations in following the evolving practice of the Council and gaining a better understanding of the framework in which it operates.

The *Repertoire* is available in the six official languages of the United Nations. The latest printed volume (Seventeenth Supplement), covering the years 2010 to 2011, is now available.

For copies of this volume and all previous Supplements, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288). The Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Parts I, V and X of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on the *Repertoire section* of the website of the Security Council.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2017 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Friday, 13 October 2017

General Assembly

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Main Committees

First Committee

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13th Meeting

Thematic discussions on specific subjects and the introduction and consideration of draft resolutions and decisions submitted on all disarmament and related international security agenda items (items 52 (b) and 90 to 106)

The Chair made a statement.

The Committee continued the second phase of its work, namely, thematic discussions on specific subjects and the introduction and consideration of draft resolutions and decisions submitted on all disarmament and related international security agenda items (items 52 (b) and 90 to 106).

The Chair of the high-level fissile material cut-off treaty expert preparatory group made a statement.

The meeting was suspended for an informal question-and-answer period.

The meeting was resumed.

Statements were made by the representatives of Bangladesh, China, Israel, Finland, Brazil, who also introduced the draft resolution A/C.1/72/L.28 (to be issued), entitled "Nuclear-weapon-free southern hemisphere and adjacent areas", Guatemala, South Africa, who also introduced the draft resolution A/C.1/72/L.17 (to be issued), entitled "Ethical imperatives for a nuclear-weapon-free world", Lao People's Democratic Republic, Indonesia, Iraq, Samoa, Spain, Pakistan, who also introduced the draft resolution A/C.1/72/L.10 (to be issued), entitled "Conclusion of effective international arrangements to assure non-nuclear-weapon States against the use or threat of use of nuclear weapons", Cabo Verde, Hungary, Netherlands, Algeria, United Arab Emirates, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Portugal, Thailand, New Zealand and Italy.

The representatives of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and the United States made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

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12th meeting

The President of the General Assembly addressed the Committee.

The representative of the Department of Public Information made a statement.

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space [item 52]

Statements were made by the Chair (Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela) and the representatives of Canada, Chile, the United Kingdom, the United States, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Egypt, the Syrian Arab Republic, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Algeria, Saudi Arabia, Iraq and Mauritania.

A statement was made by the Secretary.

The Committee decided to take action on all draft proposals related to agenda item 52 on Tuesday, 17 October, in accordance with its programme of work contained in document A/C.4/72/L.1.

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate on agenda item 52 by hearing statements by the representatives of Bangladesh, Nigeria, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Chile, the Russian Federation, Ukraine, El Salvador and Cuba.

The representative of Malawi made a statement, to which the Chair provided clarifications.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

Second Committee

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14th meeting

Globalization and interdependence [item 21]

(a) Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence

(b) Science, technology and innovation for development

(c) ulture and sustainable development

(d) Development cooperation with middle-income countries

The Committee began its consideration of the agenda item as a whole.

Introductory statements followed by "question time"

The Committee heard introductory statements by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs (under sub-item 21 (a)); the Director of the Division on Technology and Logistics, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (under sub-item 21 (b)); the Director of the New York Office of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (under sub-item 21 (c)); and the Officer-in-Charge of the Global Economic Monitoring Unit, Development Policy and Analysis Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (under sub-item 21 (d)).

The Chief of the Office for ECOSOC Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, the Director of the Division on Technology and Logistics, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development, and the Director of the New York Office of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization responded to comments made and questions posed by the representative of Nigeria.

General discussion

The Committee began its general discussion of agenda item 21 as a whole and heard statements by the representatives of Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Singapore (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations), Bangladesh (on behalf of the Least Developed Countries), El Salvador (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States), Armenia (on behalf of the Like-minded Group of Countries Supporters of Middle-Income Countries), Barbados (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), India, China, the Philippines, Belarus, Cuba, Guatemala, South Africa, Chile, Namibia, Honduras, Iraq, Maldives, Costa Rica, Ethiopia, Botswana, Thailand, Rwanda and Nepal.

15th meeting

Globalization and interdependence [item 21]

(a) Role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence

(b) Science and technology for development

(c) Culture and sustainable development

(d) Development cooperation with middle-income countries

General discussion

The Committee concluded its general discussion of the agenda item and heard a statement by the representative of the Ukraine.

A statement was made by the observer for the Holy See.

A statement was also made by the observer for the International Chamber of Commerce.

A statement was made by the representative of the International Labour Organization.

Information and communications technologies for development [item 16]

The Committee began its consideration of the agenda item and heard an introductory statement by the Director of the Division on Technology and Logistics, United Nations Conference on Trade and Development.

The Director of the Division on Technology and Logistics of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development responded to comments made and questions posed by the representative of Nigeria.

General discussion

The Committee then began its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Thailand (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations), then in a national capacity, Trinidad and Tobago (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Bangladesh (on behalf of the Least Developed Countries Group), Maldives (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States), India, the Philippines, Singapore, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Cuba, Indonesia, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, Maldives, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Kenya, Nepal, China, Togo, Brazil, Mexico, Bahrain, Vanuatu, South Africa, the Russian Federation, Nigeria and Ethiopia.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the International Telecommunications Union and the International Labour Organization.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 16.

Third Committee

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18th meeting

Promotion and protection of human rights [item 72]

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 72, sub-items (a) and (d).

Introductory statements

The Committee heard introductory statements by the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights, Head of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York, and the Director of the Division for Social Policy and Development at the Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

The Chair of the Committee against Torture made an introductory statement and responded to the questions posed and the comments made by the representatives of the European Union, Liechtenstein, the United Kingdom, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Korea, Ireland, Denmark, Egypt and Mexico.

The Chair of the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture made an introductory statement and responded to the questions posed and the comments made by the representatives of Maldives, the United Kingdom, the European Union, Switzerland, Denmark and Mexico.

The Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment also made an introductory statement and responded to the questions posed and the comments made by the representatives of the United States, the European Union, Denmark, Switzerland, the Czech Republic, South Africa, the United Kingdom, Maldives and the Russian Federation.

The Secretary and the Chair made statements.

General discussion

The Committee began its general discussion of agenda item 72, sub-items (a) and (d), and heard statements by the representatives of the European Union (also on behalf of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro and Albania, the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina; as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, Armenia and Georgia), Japan, Iraq, Cuba, Belgium (also on behalf of Albania, Australia, Austria, Bulgaria, Canada, Costa Rica, Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Montenegro, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Panama, Poland, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland, Ukraine and the United Kingdom) and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Organization of work

The Vice-Chair (Qatar) made a statement.

19th meeting

Promotion and protection of human rights [item 72]

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 72, sub-items (a) and (d).

Introductory statements, followed by interactive dialogues

The Chair of the Human Rights Committee made an introductory statement and responded to the questions posed and comments made by the representatives of Japan, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom, Maldives and the European Union.

The Chair of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights made an introductory statement and responded to the questions posed and comments made by the representatives of the European Union, Mexico, South Africa, the Russian Federation and Morocco.

General discussion

The Committee continued its general discussion of agenda item 72, sub-items (a) and (d), and heard statements by the representatives of New Zealand (also on behalf of Australia, Canada, Iceland and Norway), Saudi Arabia, India, the Russian Federation, Indonesia, Pakistan, Ukraine, Nigeria, China, Rwanda, Bangladesh, Algeria, Eritrea, Viet Nam, South Africa, Nepal, Kazakhstan, Burkina Faso, Zambia, the United Arab Emirates, Azerbaijan, Afghanistan and Mongolia.

Rights of reply

Statements in exercise of the right to reply were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Myanmar and Ukraine.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 72, sub-items (a) and (d).

Organization of work

The Vice-Chair (Hungary) made a statement.

Fifth Committee

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5th meeting

Programme planning [item 137]

The Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.5/71/L.3, which had been coordinated by the representative of Saudi Arabia.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item and the Chair requested the Rapporteur to report directly thereon to the General Assembly.

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019 [item 136]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

International Public Sector Accounting Standards

The Assistant Secretary-General, Controller, Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts, introduced the tenth and final progress report of the Secretary-General on the adoption of the International Public Sector Accounting Standards by the United Nations (A/72/213).

The Vice-Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/72/7/Add.4).

The representative of Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement.

The Chair made remarks.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on this question.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on this question would be held on that day, Friday, 13 October, immediately following the adjournment of the formal meeting and would be coordinated by Ms. Marsena Ballantyne (Saint Vincent and the Grenadines).

Improving the financial situation of the United Nations [item 138]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The Chair drew the attention of the Committee to the report of the Secretary-General on the financial situation of the United Nations (A/72/522).

The Assistant Secretary-General, Controller, Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts, provided the Committee with updated information on the current financial situation of the Organization.

Statements were made by the representatives of representatives of Ecuador (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Singapore (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN)), Australia (also on behalf of Canada and New Zealand (CANZ)), the European Union (also on behalf of the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania; the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina; and the EFTA country Liechtenstein, member of the European Economic Area, as well as the Republic of Moldova, Armenia and Georgia which aligned themselves with the statement), Cuba, China and Japan.

The Assistant Secretary-General, Controller, Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts, made concluding remarks.

The Chair made remarks.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item at this stage.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations would be held on that day, Friday, 13 October in the afternoon on agenda item 136: Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2018-2019.

Sixth Committee

[archived video]

15th meeting

Expulsion of aliens [item 82]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 82.

Statements were made by the representatives of Greece, Bangladesh, Israel, Portugal and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

The representative of Myanmar made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The Committee concluded its debate on agenda item 82.

Observer status for the International Network for Bamboo and Rattan in the General Assembly [item 170]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 170.

The representative of China announced that Malaysia, Panama and Portugal had joined as sponsors of draft resolution A/C.6/72/L.8.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/72/L.8 without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 170.

Observer status for the ASEAN+3 Macroeconomic Research Office in the General Assembly [item 171]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 171.

The representative of Singapore announced that Panama had joined as sponsor of draft resolution A/C.6/72/L.9.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/72/L.9 without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 171.

Observer status for the Eurasian Group on Combating Money Laundering and Financing of Terrorism in the General Assembly [item 172]

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 172.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.6/72/L.4 without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 172.

Responsibility of international organizations [item 87]

The Committee started its consideration of agenda item 87.

Statements were made by the representatives of Denmark (on behalf of the Nordic countries), the United States of America, Mexico, Sudan, Singapore, Guatemala, the

Russian Federation, El Salvador, Cuba, Israel, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Malaysia, Australia, Greece, Uruguay and Portugal.

The Committee concluded its debate on agenda item 87.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Amendment to the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal. Geneva, 22 September 1995

Acceptance: Lebanon (13 October 2017)

Protocol on Pollutant Release and Transfer Registers to the Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-Making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters. Kiev, 21 May 2003

Ratification: Montenegro (11 October 2017)

Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilization to the Convention on Biological Diversity. Nagoya, 29 October 2010

Ratification: Chad (11 October 2017)

Ratification: Lebanon (13 October 2017)

Protocol to Eliminate Illicit Trade in Tobacco Products. Seoul, 12 November 2012

Ratification: Montenegro (11 October 2017)

Minamata Convention on Mercury. Kumamoto, 10 October 2013

Accession: Lebanon (13 October 2017)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *October 2017* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States

Arab Republic of Egypt
His Excellency Amr Abdellatif Aboulatta

Asia-Pacific States
Sultanate of Oman
His Excellency Khalifa Ali Issa Al Harthy

Eastern European States
Slovenia
Her Excellency Darja Bavdaž Kuret

Latin American and Caribbean States
Panama
Her Excellency Laura Elena Flores Herrera

Western European and other States
Finland
His Excellency Kai Sauer

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For the submission of a *draft resolution* or a *draft decision* for the plenary, as well as for the questions on the submission, please call 1 (212) 963-3322 (Room S-3044). Guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly are available online. The co-sponsorship of all draft resolutions and decisions in the General Assembly plenary now takes place via the General Assembly Plenary e-Sponsorship application in the e-deleGATE portal at http://delegate.un.int. Paper signature list for co-sponsorship will no longer be accepted.

The agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/72/251 and the allocation of agenda items for the session is contained in document A/72/252.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-second regular session of the General Assembly is issued as document A/72/100 and the annotated draft agenda of the seventy-second session has been issued as document A/72/100/Add.1.

The programme of the work and the schedule of plenary meetings of the General Assembly during the main part of its seventy-second session is contained in document A/INF/72/3. Updates to the programme of work will be reflected in the online schedule of meetings.

The report of the Secretary-General on the status of documentation for the seventy-second session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/71/966/Add.1.

The Press kit for the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is available online. All documents, forms and information material on the seventy-second session of the General Assembly issued by the Protocol and Liaison Service may be accessed at its website.

In accordance with Rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, credentials for the seventy-second session of the General Assembly must be addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Head of the State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

In accordance with Rule 25 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, credentials should indicate not more than five representatives and five alternate representatives, and as many advisers, technical advisers, experts and persons of similar status as may be required by the delegation.

The original credentials should be delivered to Ms. Tomoko Iwata (Room S-3604) or Mr. Keiichiro Okimoto (Room S-3639), Office of Legal Affairs. A copy of the credentials *should* also be transmitted to the Protocol and Liaison Service (Room S-0201, fax 1 (212) 963-1921).

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

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